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CHARLESTOWN, *April* 25.

To the general committee of PHILADELPHIA, *and province of* PENNSYLVANIA.

GENTLEMEN,

AN authentick account of a bill, ordered to be brought into the Houſe of Commons, to repeal ſo much of an act of the 7th of his preſent Majeſty as impoſes a duty on paper, glaſs, and printers colours, imported into the Britiſh colonies in America, occaſions this addreſs to you. It is with the utmoſt grief we obſerve the proceedings of America in little regarded in that auguſt aſſembly, ſhould threaten the continuance of that commerce, which the great body of the people of this iſland have with the moſt ſincere affection conſidered as the ſource of their proſperity and happineſs. Forgetful of former diſputes, and loſt to all ſenſe of paſt favours, they ſeem reſolved to ſet, that the laſt band of connexion with the parent ſtate ſhall be broken. We are, &c.

Signed,

By order of the general committee,

JOHN HEUFVILLE, *Chairman.*

SALEM, *May* 15.

Extract of a letter from a Gentleman in Gibraltar, to his friend in Salem, March 20.

OUR neighbours the Spaniards have actually farmed the port of Tangier for 17,000 dollars per annum, in conſequence of which the Emperour has ordered that no veſſels under our colours ſhall in future trade there; ſo that our communication with that part is abſolutely ſhut up, and we fear will ſoon be with Tetuan and Latach, as it is reported they are likewiſe in treaty about thoſe ports, and we daily ſay will ſucceed. If ſo, and they ſhould be laid under the ſame reſtrictions as Tangier, we ſhall be in a glorious ſituation again for want of freſh proviſions. What the views of the Court of Spain are in farming thoſe ports time only will diſcover, but it ſeems to be the general opinion that they have ſome deep ſcheme in agitation. Many people imagine this place will be their firſt object; but let them come, they will meet with a warm reception, for the garriſon was never in a better ſtate of defence. Additional fortifications are making every day, ſo that we are under no uneaſineſs on that ſcore.

"The firſt diviſion of the Ruſſian fleet is, by the laſt accounts, ſtill at Mahon, but preparing to ſail for the Levant. The ſecond diviſion, commanded by Admiral Elphinſtone, is not yet arrived in theſe ſeas, but hourly expected, when we ſhall anxiouſly look for the accounts of their operations, which may be intereſting, all thoughts of a peace between Ruſſia and Turkey being now laid aſide."

BOSTON, *May* 21.

Extract of a letter from London, *March* 18.

ON Thurſday the 15th inſtant Lord North motioned, in the Houſe of Commons, to addreſs his Majeſty to lay a copy of the remonſtrances before the Houſe. On this occaſion General Conway ſpoke long and forcibly on the neceſſity of checking the inflammatory publications that flowed from the preſs, and of making examples of the authors and publiſhers. The motion was carried, 251 to 208. Many of the oppoſition voted with the Miniſtry, among whom were the Lord Mayor and Alderman Trueman. The Lord Mayor and his adherents declare they will not recede, but will defend and ſupport the remonſtrances in Parliament. The remonſtrances and anſwers were laid before the Houſe, in conſequence of an addreſs, on Friday the 26th. inſt. they are to be taken into conſideration to remove the 29th. Inſtead of the repeal of part of the American revenue act, we have been told the third time this day, but with, I believe, ſome alteration.

"The Earl of Chatham ſaluted in full ſtrength in the Houſe of Peers on Tuesday laſt, that Lord Mansfield might be ſworn in high ſteward for the trial of Lord Townſhend, before the Lords aſſembled for the ſaid purpoſe. The ſame day he preſented to the Houſe a petition from the city of London, complaining of the late proceedings againſt the ſaid city. The petition was received, and ordered to lie on the table. The Duke of Grafton ſeemed to be much diſpleaſed at the petition, and ſaid ſtrongly againſt the order propoſed, for he would not be concerned in meaſures in ſuch a manner that even his character in life (Lord Townſhend) a man not worthy of the leaſt regard, ſhould be taken notice of here, and pulled him down to his level by public order."

Laſt Saturday morning, about the 12th inſtant, a meſſenger of ſtate arreſted, one after another, ſeveral printers and publiſhers of news papers, and ſeized their preſſes and types, and ſeveral manuſcripts, which they ſaid were ſeditious libels. Among the perſons taken into cuſtody, was Mr. Almon, who had juſt publiſhed the letter of Junius to the King. The meſſengers, after ſeizing the preſſes, &c. of Mr. Almon, proceeded to the houſe of Mr. Woodfall, printer of the Public Advertiſer, and ſeized his preſſes, &c. and carried him before the Lords of the Council, who, after examining him, diſcharged him from his confinement, and ordered his preſſes to be reſtored to him.

Mr. PARKER, NEW YORK, *May* 19.

The following, though of an old date, was received but yesterday. I beg you will communicate it to the publick, through the channel of your next paper, and oblige yours, &c.

LONDON, *Feb.* 7, 1770.

" To be free, I grow more and more tired of my country, and I shall become more and more in love with the colonies, if they continue firm until they have carried their point; but I shall be grieved, to my very soul, if they at length faint and crouch to the burthen of unconstitutional impositions. I am fearful of them, and yet encourage myself to hope that they will hold out. Perseverance, unless, and firmness, must bring them redress, and nothing below will do it. The full removal of American grievances is not expected in general. It is thought the Ministry will attempt the repeal only of a tax, and not of all the taxes, and that the duty on tea, and the Board of Commissioners, will be continued, to prove the authority, and maintain the right, of England's taxing them. Should this be the case, you must renew your associations against trading with us; for if the Ministry once find you are to be wearied out they will expect it will be always so, and you will have your chains riveted. The time for your controlling the point with them is very favourable to you, through our party divisions and other circumstances; and such an opportunity may not soon offer again. The opposition to the Ministry is increasing in the weight and consequence, as well as numbers. Many of them (it is to be apprehended) are no friends to America, but may help her from further views; and will be glad of a handle, through her sufferance, for accomplishing the Ministry. The ministerial blunder in the Irish Parliament [illegible] and must be, the means of increasing the opposition. The present Court system must be demolished, or Liberty will [illegible]

" Liberty, if [illegible] will dwell in Scotland in America, for the love of liberty is [illegible] and of all nations, to Scots to.

February 7.

P. S. [illegible] with Mr. ———, I gathered that the [illegible] were ended, or at worst, to drive quite with a speed of the devil, the two contending; that you are to be finished with the [illegible] of Scots being expected about a time, by the indications of this [illegible] country, and that the people assured would be [illegible] I replied, then, if so, the merchants betrayed you; and [illegible] that you would make them suffer for it, "by [illegible] and by looking them with freight out and [illegible] country, in general, reflections and spirit; [illegible] like it. Would they meet shutdown [illegible] greater weight; but the Ministry have [illegible] are encouraged to harass the colonies."

[illegible] *London, May* 25.

[illegible] opportunity to inform you [illegible] which [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

redeliver his watch and money, and drubbed him in such a manner that he left him almost dead. He gave notice of the above at the nearest house he came to, but the villain had made shift to crawl off.

A society of Noblemen and Gentlemen, of the kingdom of Ireland, dined at a tavern in Palmall on the 17th ult. (St. Patrick's day) when they came to a resolution to erect a monument, by subscription, in St. Patrick's cathedral in Dublin, to the memory of the late Dean Swift. One hundred and eighty guineas were then subscribed; and they are to meet and dine together on the first day of June next, when they are to close their subscription, and to elect a committee to carry their design into execution.

A second incendiary letter was on Wednesday received by the Dean of Westminster, threatening to put their design against his life, &c. into immediate execution, as he had not yet made a passage through the wall in Dean's yard; which is not in his power to do, the said wall and ground not being his property.

A correspondent desires (as a fever and sore throat, which are infectious, are now very rife) that we will communicate to the publick the following excellent preservative against the infection of any malignant distemper; which is to put a little bit of camphire into the mouth and up the nose, repeating it frequently.

It is said that a bill is now in contemplation to enable the Speaker of the House of Commons, during the recess of Parliament, to issue his warrant to the clerk of the Crown to make out new writs for the choice of members to serve in Parliament, in the room of such members as shall happen to die during such recess.

Mr. S——l W——d, the present member for the town of Bedford, offered himself a candidate for that place, then contrary both to the interest and inclination of the Duke of Bedford. Soon after he declared himself, he had an interview with the Duke, in which his Grace inquired of him if he intended to proceed in the contest. "Certainly, my Lord," answered Mr. W——. "Indeed!" said his Grace. "And pray, Sir, what are you?" "A brewer, my Lord." "A brewer! why we shall have the House of Commons all *froth*." "True, my Lord, answered the candidate, but does your Grace remember that the *froth* is always *uppermost*?"

A letter from Bristol says: "A meeting was held last week of the principal merchants in this city, to consider of a remonstrance to the Throne; but a powerful opposition has been forming against it."

Of the 9691. 17s. that was paid into the hands of the Supporters of the Bill of Rights, 900l. we hear, were remitted from the city of Bristol, and 100l. from some Gentlemen of Essex. Mr. Wilkes's debts, it is said, are now reduced to 1600l.

The Hon. East India company have made the following appointments in their service: Colonel David Wedderburn to be Brigadier General, and commander in chief at Bombay and its dependences; Alexander Mackillop, Esq; to be Captain of a company, and aid de camp to the commander in chief; Richard Campbell, Esq; to be Captain, and Major of Brigade to the troops at Bombay. And on Wednesday the General and his family set out from his house in Cavendish Square for Portsmouth, to embark on board the Northumberland East Indiaman.

On Monday next the two regiments of light horse, Elliot and Burgoyne, will, we hear, be reviewed by his Majesty on Wimbledon common. The Foot Grenadiers have been doing duty at Kensington, and elsewhere, for some days past, instead of the light horse, they having ten field days for exercise to practise what is ordered to be done on that day.

When the next fleet sails from Russia there will not be a ship or sailor hardly left in their ports. It is hoped the Swedes are in alliance with them, and will be sincere.

Private letters from Rochfort inform that three of the workmen employed in the King's yards had just been arrested there, on suspicion of treason against the state.

Monday Mr. Hurst, grocer, in the borough, was robbed upon Blackheath of 1l. 2s. by a single highwayman, mounted and genteelly dressed. Mr. Hurst begged of him very earnestly to return one or two shillings, to serve him till he got home; which the highwayman refused, adding, "I'll hear no petitions."

The housebreakers lately taken, it seems, agreed to dispose stolen plate to the Jews for three shillings an ounce; but did not receive for above half the number of ounces delivered.

The following copy of a letter from M. de Voltaire, to the Marshal Duke de Richlieu, is handed about at Paris:

"I wish, my Lord, to have the pleasure of giving you my blessing before I die. The expression may be new to you, but it is nevertheless true. I have the honour to be a Capuchin; our General at Rome has just sent me my patent, in which I am styled Spiritual Brother, and Two-penal Father Capuchin. Send me word which of your deceased mistresses you would wish to get out of purgatory, and I swear by my beard she shall not be there twenty four hours longer. As in consequence of my new vocation I must give up the good things of this world, I have resigned to my relations what is due to me of the estate of the late Princess de Guise, and from that of Monsieur your Lieutenant. They will apply to you for your directions in that affair, which they will observe to a tittle. I sincerely give you my blessing, and am, &c.

A proposal to the politicians.

THE great contest through Britain's isle in who shall places win,
The ins strive hard to keep their hold, the outs would fain get in.
The *amor patriæ*'s quite forgot, an antiquated dream, (be it;
Corruption reigns through every rank, self interest is the theme.
A simple thought I would propose, to harmonize the land.
Withdraw the pensions from each place, and let the honours stand.

WILLIAMSBURG, *June* 14.

LAST Sunday, about two o'clock, we had a great deal of rain, attended with some sharp lightning, which struck a tree a little above the college. There was a parcel of sheep under it, sixteen of which were killed.

About a fortnight ago Mr. James Dowling, of Warwick county, aged 64, who has for many years been much afflicted with the gravel, was cut at York by Doctor Matthew Pope of that town, and three stones taken from him weighing two ounces eighteen grains. He is now in a fair way of doing well.

Mr. James Bell is returned a member for Suffix county, in the room of Mr. John Edmunds, deceased.

The Harriette, Clark, and ——, Power, from London, are arrived, the former in York and the latter in James river.

Captain Dawson, in one of his Majesty's cutters, arrived last week at Hampton. She was sent express from London to Commodore Hood at Halifax, who despatched her to Sir Thomas Adams.

On the 2d instant died Mr. William Westwood, of Elizabeth city county, aged 73. He served that county, as one of their Representatives, for many years, to the general satisfaction of his constituents. His charity, hospitality, and benevolent turn of mind, endeared him to his neighbours, which makes his death much lamented.

Extract of a letter from an eminent merchant in London, *April* 13.

"We have had another effort for the repeal of the duty on tea, by Alderman Trecothick's making a motion in the House, on the 9th instant, being the day before the repeal of the duty on paper, painters colours, and glass, was to be read the third time; on which motion some *ministerial* members said it was not according to order, as the taking off the duty on tea had been mentioned this sessions in the House, and the question divided upon. Alderman Trecothick's motion was spoke to by many; and after about four hours debate the House divided thereon, 80 against the motion, 52 for it: So that the motion, being deemed irregular, nothing farther could be done in it; therefore, for this sessions, all hopes of the repeal of the duty is at an end. The Americans are under great obligations to Alderman Trecothick, as he has taken great pains to bring about the above repeal, though attended with no better success."

Yesterday Mr. Douglass, with his company of comedians, arrived in town from Philadelphia; and, we hear, intend opening the theatre in this city, on Saturday, with the Beggars Opera, and other entertainments.

On Tuesday last, at the court of Oyer and Terminer, John Sedgewicks Grover, from Fairfax, and Thomas Robison, alias William Orton, from Frederick, for horsestealing, were tried, and found guilty, but pardoned. The trial of Charles Smith, from Frederick, for felony, is put off until next court.

Tros, Tyriusve mihi nullo discrimine agetur.
Virginiensis et exturnus eadem jura habebunt.

THE strength of a people rising and falling with the increase and decrease of inhabitants, it is good policy in all states, by every prudent regulation, to encourage the importation of strangers. To this end, all invidious distinctions, between natives and foreigners, should be for ever banished. In like manner care should be taken that none suffer the smallest inconvenience on account of their religious tenets, which in all men differ as much as their faces.

As long as a people are so infatuated as to suppose that a man's merit is less merely because his father begat him on the other side of the Atlantick, no wonder that such a people increase but slow. For the same reason it might be supposed that a place where most of all religious persuasions have not equal advantages, should be shunned by all whose opinions did not tally with the publick standard.

The rapid population of the late planted colony of Pennsylvania is a proof of the above assertion, the inhabitants of which, by shunning a supercilious contempt of foreigners, and its founder, the worthy Mr. Penn, impartially giving equal privileges to men of all parties, have induced such numbers of settlers that they nearly equal the inhabitants of this ancient colony, which has been planted very near double the time. I am bold to assert that for one foreigner that settles here Pennsylvania receives a hundred.

The love of our country, when rightly understood, is a most important virtue; but I greatly fear that, with partial bigots, it degenerates into the meanest of vices. The whole human race is the proper object of a true philanthropy, and when we confine it within narrow limits what is love to one becomes cruelty to another. The old Romans boasted much of their *amor patriæ*, and from this mistaken principle they destroyed Carthage, Numantia, and depopulated fine countries to aggrandize their own. I would beg leave to recommend this to the consideration of those narrow souled people who, under the pretence of encouraging native merit, cruelly and partially discountenance all foreigners. If such a selfish attachment to one part of the community be genuine benevolence, I see no reason why pirates and robbers should not be canonized for martyrs; who, though they proclaim war with all the world besides, are so inviolably attached to one another that they will sooner submit to the halter than involve their accomplices.

When the Romans sacked the city of Corinth, the various melted metals running down the streets by accident concreted into one substance, which far surpassing any of its component materials came into common use, and acquired the name of Corinthian brass. Thus may we, who are a collection from almost all the various kingdoms of Europe, forgetting our former connections, and burying all illiberal distinctions, glory in the name of Americans. Let us not inquire whether any man is a native or foreigner, of this or that party, but let it be sufficient that he serves the honest form. If this be our character, we will encrease so fast, by natural generation and the accession of foreigners, that in a little time

Great Britain may the combin'd world defy
And in the strength of brave Virginia joy.

A CITIZEN OF THE WORLD.

Entered in the upper district of James *river.*

June 9. Speirs, James Lusk, from Barbadoes, with 358 hhds. of rum, 120 barrels of brown sugar, 2 pipes of Madeira wine, 2 casks of saddlery, 1 box of hats, 20 trunks and 3 bales of dry goods, 4 casks of claret, 2 casks of ale, and 25 Negroes.

Cleared.

June 2. Thomas, Thomas Falcon, for Whitehaven, with 200 hhds. of tobacco, 70 pieces of timber, 60 oak planks, 7820 staves, and 32 oak knees.

5. George, James Coats, for Glasgow, with 500 hhds. of tobacco, 400 hoops, and 13,000 staves.

6. Nancy, Richard Barron, for Lisbon, with 3000 bushels of wheat, 400 barrels of flower, 4000 staves, and 200 wt. of bees wax.

Advertisements.

WESTMORELAND, *May* 10, 1770.

THE NOMONY FULLING MILL under my care being now completely fitted, all those who are pleased to favour her with their custom may depend upon having their cloth finished with the utmost expedition, and in the neatest manner. Though the prices hitherto charged were agreeable to the custom of the northern colonies, yet as this mill was erected principally with a view of encouraging our own manufactures at this time, when the use of *British* is utterly destructive of our liberty, therefore the following low rates will for the future be charged, and it is expected the money will be sent when the cloth is taken away, otherwise the mill will by no means support herself: For fulling 4 d. a yard, dying all shades of drab 2 d. a yard, other colours 4 d. except fine greens and blues, which are more costly shearing, 2 d. a yard each time the shears go over the cloth, which must depend upon the fineness of the cloth, and the use it is intended for.

It is impossible to make good work, unless the cloth has been properly managed before it is sent to the mill. The following directions, if complied with, will enable me to give that satisfaction to my customers of which I am very desirous: Separate the fine parts of the fleece (which are the neck, shoulders, back, and sides) from the coarse; spin the warp as hard as possible, but of an even hardness, the filling very loose and even; never spin coarse wool into fine thread, the cloth will always be harsh; the least width should be an ell; cloths intended to be died should be kept clear of spots or stains, they will always show.

We die and dress jeans and fustians to look as well as those from *England*; wool and cotton died in grain of any colour. Those who favour us with their work are desired to write fully how they would have it done.

BENJAMIN BROOKS.

KING WILLIAM, *June* 1, 1770.

I INTEND for GREAT BRITAIN the beginning of next month.

JEFFERY GRISLEY.

BLANDFORD, *June* 5, 1770.

ANY person capable of teaching the *English* language, and writing it, will get good wages by applying to *Theophilus Field*, *James Field*, or *William Stark*.

One Hundred Slaves

to be sold at Mecklenburg *court in* September *next, for ready money, or merchants notes payable in* October *General Court.*

years old, and the most part of mulberry, cedar, and locust. T. may have a long credit, if required, bond with good security to the sub- Jamestown, where the vessel may be seen.

EDWARD C. TRAV.

To be SOLD, *or* CHARTERED,

A BRIGANTIN of about five thousan bushels burthen.

For terms apply to *Aitchison* and *Parker*, in *Norfolk*, or the subscriber in *Northampton*.

WILLIAM RONALD.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND, which I lately purchased of James of Dismal, of James City county, Pasquotank, containing about one hundred, chiefly swamp, and well timbered.

The required credit will be given, on bond, bearing interest, with security thereon.

JAMES FRIEND.

TAKEN up, in *Hanover*, two red heifers, marked with a crop and under-keel in the right ear, and a crop in the left; posted, and appraised by

JOSEPH

TAKEN up, in *Sussex*, a gray mare, about 8 or 9 years old, 4 feet 9 or 9 inches high, with a branded mane and switch tail, her hind feet white, but no brand perceivable; posted, and appraised to 10l.

CHARLES BILLEYMAY.

TAKEN up, in *King* and *Queen*, a dark bay mare, about 4 years old, with a hanging mane and switch tail, a star in her forehead, one hind foot white, some saddle spots, but not wounded; posted, and appraised to 3l.

EDWARD WALLER.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a light gray horse, about 4 feet 9 inches high, and branded on the near shoulder and buttock W; posted, and appraised to 12l.

REUBEN PALMORE.

TAKEN up, in *Albemarle*, a small dark roan mare, with a white spot on her jaw, branded on the near shoulder I—B, and on the buttock ⁓; posted, and appraised to 3l. 12s. 6d.

WILLIAM REDDOR.

In the Brilliant, *Captain* Robertson, *from* London, ANDERSON *and Co. have just imported*

A LARGE and complete assortment of DRUGS and MEDICINES, to be sold either wholesale or retail, at the lowest advance, for ready money or short credit. Among a variety of other articles are the following, viz. Mace, cloves, cinnamon, white ginger, black and long pepper, loaf sugar candy, capers, olives, anchovies, bull and common oils, Freeman's cordial, Daffy's, Squire's, and Bateman's elixirs, Turlington's and Fryer's balsams, eau de luce, Hill's elixir bardana, do. essence of water dock, balsam of honey, Blackrie's lixivium for the gravel and stone, Bateman's drops, James's fever powders, Anderson's, Lockyer's, and Hooper's pills, gold and silver leaf, Dutch metal, ivory and pewter syringes, lungwort, lavender, and honey waters, British oil, spirit of turpentine, painting oil, Prussian blue, red and white lead, vermilion, verdigrise, &c. &c. &c.

All persons who please to favour us with their orders may depend that they will be faithfully served, and executed with the greatest despatch, by

Their obedient humble servant,

ANDREW ANDERSON.

Just imported from London, *in the* Brilliant, *Captain* Robertson, *and to be sold at the subscriber's shop, in* Williamsburg,

A LARGE and complete assortment of DRUGS and MEDICINES, both chymical and galenical; also white and brown candies, barley sugar, caraway comfits, candied ginger, best jar'd figs, currants, capers, anchovies, best Durham mustard, sallad oil, spices of all sorts, ivory syringes, nipple glasses and breast pipes, gold and silver leaf, saltpetre, a variety of paints, fueling bottles, tooth brushes, cream plaister, lancets, &c. &c. &c.

WILL. PASTEUR.

MAY 30, 1770.

RUN away from the subscriber, on *Monday* the 28th instant, a very likely *Virginia* born Negro fellow named HARRY, about 6 feet high, was clothed, when he went away, with the usual clothing of crop Negroes, and was purchased last *March* of *Joseph Sowell*, of *Gloucester* county, at the sale at *Petersburg*. It is expected he is lurking somewhere in *Gloucester*. He carried off with him a black mare, about four feet six inches high, branded on the near buttock IP, paces slow, and has been worked lately. Whoever secures the said Negro and mare, so that I may get them again, or will deliver them to me at *Shocko*, in *Henrico* county, shall have 20 s. reward, besides what the law allows, or in proportion for either of them.

2‖ JOSEPH PLEASANTS.

FAUQUIER, *May* 25, 1770.

AS the Gentlemen resorting to the WARM SPRINGS, in *Augusta*, may be under some apprehensions on account of their horses being properly fed and pastured, I take this method to acquaint them that I have directed my overseer, living within five miles of the HOT SPRINGS, to take into pasturage thirty six acres, to allow them a peck of oats a day, or six quarts of *Indian* corn, with pasturage, for five shillings and three pence a week. As the owners of horses so put out may choose to have servants with them, to see to their being properly managed, I have also directed my overseer to take one servant in for every twelve horses, and allow him house room, and utensils to cook his provisions with, *gratis*. As these servants provisions may be bought at reasonable rates at the *Bath* market, they will be little expense to their owners. I intend to the springs about the 20th of *June*, when I will see those regulations complied with. In the mean time Mr. *John M'Clanahan* will act for me.

THOMAS BULLITT.

Portrait Painting.

GENTLEMEN and LADIES that are inclined to have their pictures drawn will find the subscriber ready to serve them, upon very reasonable terms, either at their own homes or where he lives, which is next door to the Hon. Speaker's.

WILLIAMSBURG, *June* 7, 1770. J. DURAND.

A SOBER diligent man, capable of teaching children *English*, arithmetick, the most common branches of the mathematicks, and writes a good hand, will be employed upon applying to me in *Sussex* county.

AUGUSTINE CLAIBORNE.

KING WILLIAM, *May* 27, 1770.

THE subscriber having formerly advertised a quantity of lands for sale, and not having yet disposed of the whole, and being very desirous of paying the demands against him, takes this opportunity of informing those who incline to purchase that he has now for sale a tract of about 600 acres of high land, with about 1000 acres of very valuable marsh adjoining, lying on *Pamunkey* river, with every convenience attending a river seat; also a very fine and well accustomed water grist mill with two pair of stones, and fixed on a stream that never fails, which would rent for 100 l. per annum, as there are 100 acres of very valuable land adjoining. Any person inclinable to purchase may know the terms by applying to the subscriber privately, and if not sold in that manner will be exposed to the highest bidder on *King William* court day in *July* next.

7 THOMAS CLAIBORNE.

To be SOLD *at* Amelia *courthouse, on* Amelia *court day in* July *next (if fair, otherwise next fair day)*

THIRTY choice VIRGIVIA born SLAVES, consisting of men, women, and children, for ready money, or good established merchants bills of exchange. An undoubted title will be made to the purchaser or purchasers.

tdf.

WILLIAMSBURG, *June* 1, 1770.

COMMITTED to *James City* prison, an *Ibo* Negro fellow named HARRY, about 5 feet 9 inches high, about 35 years old, his left hand burnt, has on an osnabrug shirt, Negro cotton waistcoat, with flat metal buttons, a pair of Negro shoes, the soles nailed on, and says he belongs to *John Todd*, in *North Carolina*. The owner is desired to send for him, and pay charges.

WILLIAM SEALY LANE.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a bay mare, about 4 feet 2 inches high, with a blaze in her face, a snip on her nose, a raw hide string round her neck, and branded on the buttock with three dots; posted, and appraised to 30 s.

‖ SAMUEL BENTLEY.

Taken up, in *Prince Edward*, a sorrel horse, about 4 feet 6 inches high, with a star in his forehead, a snip on his nose, one hind foot white, drags both of his hind feet, a hanging mane and switch tail, trots and paces slow, gallops well, but no brand perceivable; posted, and appraised to 6 l.

‖ WILLIAM ATKINS.

Taken up, in *King William*, three cattle, *viz.* one cow, pied red and white, marked with a half crop and swallow fork in each ear, a steer of the same colour and mark, and a black heifer unmarked; posted, and appraised to 4 l.

‖ GEORGE DABNEY, jun.

Taken up, in *Chesterfield*, a dark bay horse, about 4 feet 4 inches high, near 18 years old, with a snip on his nose, a very sore back, marked with a small half moon on the under side of his left ear, but not branded.

‖ GEORGE TRAYLOR.

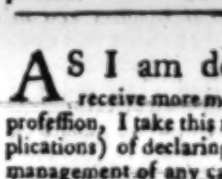
PETERSBURG, *May* 28, 1770.

I INTEND for *Great Britain* for a few months. Those indebted to me are desired to make payment to Mr. *Richard Taylor*. Any person that wants to purchase a good TRACT of TOBACCO LAND, containing 400 acres, in *Charlotte* county, or a TRACT of LAND in *Chesterfield*, containing 50 acres, very convenient to *Petersburg*, may know the terms by applying as above. Long credit will be given.

‖ RICHARD HANSON.

THERE is now lying in Mess. *Balfour* and *Barraud*'s store, in *Norfolk*, a strong case, marked A R on the top IB, No. 1, and on the end P No. 89, a case marke IB, No. 2, and a box marked IB, No. 3, containing apothecaries drugs, &c. They were landed here from on board the *Hanbury*, Captain *James Esten*, in *February* last.

BLANDFORD, *May* 26, 1770.



STRAYED or STOLEN from the subscriber, about ten days ago, a black mare, about 4 feet 8 inches high, with a star in her forehead, a hanging mane and switch tail, paces remarkably fast, and I am informed was bred in *Goochland*, but having only had her a few days did not take notice whether she had any brand. Whoever brings her to me shall have twenty shillings reward.

4 CHARLES DUNCAN.

TAKEN up, in *Brunswick*, a large black steer, with a small bell on, is much cut round the horns with a rope, marked with a nick under his right ear, and a crop or swallow fork in the left; posted, and appraised to 3 l. 10 s. ‖ JOHN THACKER.

TAKEN up, in *Albemarle*, a bay mare, about 4 feet 3 inches high, about 8 years old, with a hanging mane and switch tail, one saddle spot, trots only, had on an old bell with cracks in it, but no brand perceivable; posted, and appraised to 4 l. JOHN HANDCOCK.

I HEREBY give notice to all those who are indebted to the store lately kept at Major *John Bassett*'s, in *Hanover* county, to settle their respective accounts with Mr. *William Donald*, who will give constant attendance for this purpose at the above mentioned place until the 1st of *September* next. As great indulgence has been granted to many of the customers, it may reasonably be expected they in return will immediately give bonds for the balances now remaining due, that, being properly ascertained, they may be collected with less expense and trouble than if the accounts stood open. Those who refuse to comply with this reasonable request may depend on their accounts being put into a lawyer's hands, without farther delay, or respect of persons. Tf JOHN JOHNSON.

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 4, 1770.

AS I am determined for the future to receive more money, or have less business in the way of my profession, I take this method (in order to prevent unnecessary applications) of declaring that I will not for the future undertake the management of any cause unless my fee is first paid down, or a bond given for it, payable with interest twelve months after the date of such bond; nor will any letter to engage me in any cause for the future meet with the smallest attention, or answer, that does not enclose either the fee or such bond for it. And that no person may be deceived, they will please to observe that it is my determined resolution to put every such bond in suit which is not discharged within one month after it becomes payable. Every person who favours me with their business upon the above terms will meet with my most grateful acknowledgments, and may depend upon the exertion of my utmost abilities to serve them. With regard to those who, at the time they pretended to be my friends, could coolly sit still and see me reduced to the necessity of selling my slaves to a very great disadvantage, and yet withhold the small sums due to me, which if paid would have removed that necessity, I leave it to their own hearts to determine whether they deserve any farther indulgence. Every person therefore indebted to me before the first day of *January* last, who does not before the first day of *August* next either send the money due to me or a bond for the same, payable with interest in twelve months, may depend upon being sued immediately after that time in the General Court, if the sum due amounts to ten pounds, and in any county I can catch him if under that sum. I shall be in *Williamsburg* from the 20th of *May* until after the court of *Oyer* in *June*.

21 THOMSON MASON.

To be SOLD, *on* Friday *the* 29*th of* June, *on the premises, in* Orange *county, at the* South West *mountains,*

ONE thousand two hundred and eighty acres of exceeding good LAND for either corn, wheat, or tobacco, late the property of Captain *Richard Todd*, of *King* and *Queen* county, deceased; 500 acres of the said land are laid off in 100 acre lots, with all convenient houses, and tenants living thereon, which will be sold separate; the other 780 acres are uncultivated, and will be sold together, or in parcels, as may best suit the purchasers. There are near 2000 acres in the said tract, and the whole entailed; but the above mentioned quantity was docked, by act of Assembly, in the year 1764, and the Royal assent will certainly be obtained before the day of sale. The widow's dower will be made easy, that no encumbrance may prevent the sale. Credit will be allowed until the first day of *April* 1771 for one half the purchase money, and for the other half until *April* 1772, on bond, with approved security, being given to WILLIAM RICHARDS TODD.

N. B. Five per cent. will be discounted for ready money.

*** At the same time and place will be rented the manor plantation (which is in good order for cropping) for eight or ten years. 7‖

To be SOLD, *on* Wednesday *the* 20*th of* June, *at the dwelling-house of* John Davis, *in* Kingston *parish,* Gloucester *county, for ready money,*

A TRACT of LAND, containing about 500 acres, whereon is a good dwelling-house, a new storehouse, several good outhouses, and a very fine orchard. At the same time will be sold several valuable NEGROES, STOCKS of CATTLE, &c. and some HOUSEHOLD GOODS. The land will be sold together or in parcels, as may best suit the purchasers.

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RUN away from the subscriber, living in *Northampton* county, *North Carolina*, on the 10th of *April* 1769, a mustee woman slave named ANNISS, about 21 years of age, near 5 feet high, thick and well set, straight hair, scarred on the back part of her neck by cupping, has a scar on the elbow joint of her right arm, branded on the right cheek E, and on the left R, is very cunning, and will endeavour to make her escape. Whoever apprehends the said slave, and secures her so that I get her again, if taken in this province shall have 5 l. reward, if out thereof 7 l. 10 s.

‖ EDWARD RUTLAND.

LUCY RANDOLPH,

of London, *at the* Three Angels, *No.* 9, Long Walk, Cloysters,

UNDERSTANDING that her friends in *Virginia* being unacquainted with the business transacted by her, takes this method to inform them that she makes and sells all sorts of MILLINERY, *viz.* Bruffels, Mecklin, and minionet laces; blonds and black lace, gauze and catguts; plain and worked muslins and long lawns; black and white crape, and black love handkerchiefs; fine threads and tapes, Dutch and French; Manchester tapes and threads, cotton, thread and tapes; silk purses, gloves, mits, and ferrets; stay, silk, lace, cotton, thread, and ferret, laces; bobbins, pins, and needles; head and breast flowers, Italian and French; skeleton and bunch wire; muffs and tippets, feather and fur; leather gloves, mits, and silk pocket books; Gentlemens bags and roses; childrens shoes, stockings, bone and packthread stays; boys silk and satin caps, ostrich and cock feathers; Ladies and boys satin and beaver hats with do. hair rolls, tates, curls, and silk rolls; ribands, riband and flower stomachers and knots; shenneals, garlands, and gown trimmings; quilted and puckered girls caps, white and black; coloured and black fans, velvet and silk collars, beaded or plain; Gentlemens stocks and stock tapes; childbed linen, baskets, cushions, and lines; wax beads, French and English, India and wax pearl; horn and tortoiseshell combs, plain or set; set necklaces and earrings, fancy paste pins, &c. flannels and dimities of all sorts, dimity and calico bed gowns; modes, satins, persians, sarsenets of all widths, figured and plain; mantuas 3-4 and half ell, and all sorts of silks in pieces; ruffles, calimancoes, durants, and taminies, coarse and fine; scarlet cloths and duffils, in cardinals or by the yard; satin and silk cardinals, cloaks, hats, and bonnets; satin, silk, and stuff quilts, of all prices; with all kinds of childrens ready made clothes, wholesale and retail, on the lowest terms.

RUN away from the subscriber, in *Hanover* county, about the 1st of *September*, a Negro man slave named WILL, about 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, is a very remarkable fellow, has but one eye, and was outlawed some time before *Christmas*. Masters of vessels are forewarned carrying him out of the colony. Whoever brings the said Negro to me shall have 40 s. reward, besides what the law allows; and if taken out of the colony 5 l. ‖ HENRY GILBERT.

N. B. He was formerly the property of Mr. *Arthur Dickenson*, of *York* county, and may probably be lurking thereabouts.

£. 2 Reward.

RUN away from *Westover*, on *Sunday* last, a very likely Negro man named EDOM, of the middle size, about 25 years old, by trade a bricklayer. It is supposed he will go into KING WILLIAM county. I will give the above reward to whoever delivers him to me at *Westover*, or to Mr. *David Pattison*, at the falls of *James* river.

Tf W. BYRD.

MARCH 26, 1770.

ALL Persons may be supplied with this PAPER at 12*s.* 6*d.* a Year, and have ADVERTISEMENTS (of a moderate Length) inserted in it for 3*s.* the first Week, and 2*s.* each Week after. —— *** All Sorts of PRINTING WORK done at this Office in the neatest Manner, with Care and Expedition.

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WARSAW, *March* 17.

A COURIER is juſt arrived from the banks of the Danube, with advice that the Ruſſian General, Major General Czerwich, had taken the town of Kilianova by aſſault, in which was found a conſiderable magazine, part of which they conveyed to Iaſſy, and burnt the reſt.

A Ruſſian detachment, commanded by Lieutenant General Kilagen, attacked, on the firſt inſtant, a party of the confederates, in the neighbourhood of Opalow, conſiſting of 800 men, whom they put to flight, after killing about one hundred of their number, and forcing them to abandon a part of their baggage,

HAMBURG, *March* 18. They write from Altenbourg that the Duke of Saxe Gotha had cauſed a ſeminary to be erected for the inſtruction of ſchool miſtreſſes, and that none will be permitted to follow that profeſſion but ſuch as have attended the publick exerciſes for the ſpace of two years. The groſs ignorance of the ordinary claſs of theſe ſort of woman has made this eſtabliſhment neceſſary, which has already been the practice of Vienna for many years.

LONDON, *April* 7.

WE hear that the reports concerning changes in the Miniſtry are entirely without foundation, and took their riſe only from a diviſion in the Houſe of Commons, in which a majority appeared againſt the opinion of the Miniſter, on a queſtion on a matter of ſpeculation that had no relation to party.

We are aſſured that a bill is now preparing to be laid before an auguſt aſſembly, to prevent the delays of juſtice, occaſioned by the privilege of Parliament. To the honour of the Prime Miniſter, we are alſo aſſured that as it was planned ſo it will be ſtrongly ſupported by him.

The queſtion upon which the Minority became the Majority yeſterday ſe'nnight has not yet been clearly explained. A motion having been made by Mr. Grenville for leave to bring in a bill for the more equitable deciſion of conteſted elections, the ſame was granted; but the Miniſtry thought fit to oppoſe its paſſing, not perhaps becauſe they did not approve it, but becauſe they might think it was giving up a branch of the miniſterial prerogative. It had been a cuſtom, of which all Miniſters had availed themſelves, from the time of the Revolution down to the meeting of the preſent Parliament, to determine conteſted elections by numbers; and as the Miniſter could, in former Parliaments, always command a majority, the deciſions in conteſt were ſure to be carried in favour of the man whom the Miniſter approved, inſomuch that during the Tory Miniſtry of Queen Anne there was not one inſtance of a Whig member's being admitted upon petition, and during the Miniſtry of Sir Robert Walpole it is well known that the loſs of the Chippenham election was the loſs of his power as a Miniſter. To prevent theſe ſhameful proceedings for the future, the bill in queſtion provides that 45 members ſhall be appointed by the Houſe as a ſelect committee, to inquire into the *merits* of the election in conteſt, out of which number each candidate ſhall have a right to except againſt *fifteen*; ſo that the number of *fifteen* will at laſt only remain to decide the conteſt, and theſe are, *upon oath*, to determine according to the evidence that ſhall be produced before them. A more equitable bill than this the mind of man could not have ſuggeſted. It was not therefore to be wondered that it met the countenance of a very great majority, and the rather as the principle upon which it was oppoſed could have weight only with a few. This bill will, in its conſequences, operate farther than at firſt view it may ſeem, as it effectually ſtrikes at the root of bribery and corruption; for as there is already a law, as ſtrong as words can frame it, againſt bribery and corruption, the ſlighteſt proof of any ſuch influence will now diſqualify any member from ſitting in the Houſe, and no Miniſter will be able to defend him.

The Earl of Chatham, in a converſation a few days ſince, reſpecting the circumſtance of the Miniſtry *turning out* Lord Camden from the Chancellorſhip, and the concern expreſſed by ſome of them at the precipitate ſtep they had taken, took upon him to advance that if his ſovereign himſelf deſired it he would venture to undertake that his Noble friend ſhould accept of the Seals again; but that he thought the leaſt the King could do, on ſuch an occaſion, would be for his Majeſty, out of his own ſpontaneous grace and munificence, to raiſe Lord Camden to the dignity of an Earl, and to grant him an additional penſion of two thouſand a year, *durante vita*, to ſupport it.

A certain Lady of Groſvenor ſtreet, remarkable for her beauty, has again eloped from her huſband, and now a final ſeparation muſt enſue. The Lady went off ſome time ago, but by the interpoſition of friends her huſband received her again. Some ſymptoms of pregnancy appearing, the Lady candidly owned that a Gentleman who married a certain courtezan (Kitty Fiſher) was the occaſion. On the huſband's expreſſing his reſentment, ſhe retired with the above mentioned Gentleman.

On Tueſday night the Preſident in the lower room of the Robinhood ſociety ordered the lobby to be cleared of all but members. His order being obeyed, he reaſſumed the thread of his diſcourſe, previouſly acquainting the room that none but members were in it; on which a ſpirited Gentleman got up, and anſwered, Mr. Preſident, you are much miſtaken, there is a certain Colonel, whom I am confident is no member, and conſequently has no right here.

On Thurſday laſt twenty one witneſſes were produced in court and ſworn in the Groſvenor cauſe, beſides thoſe at St. Alban's, &c. and on Thurſday ſeveral of the witneſſes in the above cauſe attended, to be examined at Doctors Commons.

April 9. On Friday Lord Camden waited on a great perſonage, at twelve o'clock, at St James's, with whom he had an hour's conference before the levee was open; and it is next to certain, we hear, that his Lordſhip will ſhortly reaſſume the Seals.

It is very confidently aſſerted, at the weſt end of the town, that ſome material alterations will ſhortly take place in the government of all our American provinces.

A correſpondent aſſures us we may depend on the truth of the following anecdote. A very great number of thoſe whoſe hands are ſet to the Durham petition cannot write, ſo they have made croſſes as their marks. A waggiſh Gentleman, who diſliked the petition, ſaid to one who ſtickled for it, "Sir, I never thought you had ſo great a number of Papiſts in the county of Durham." What do you mean, ſaid the other? Why, ſaid he, I judge ſo from the vaſt number of croſſes at your petition. The other laughed at the joke, and owned there were many.

We hear the inhabitants of Brentford illuminated their houſes, and great rejoicings were made there, on account of Mr. Horne's having nonſuited Mr. Onſlow at Kingſton on Friday laſt.

A correſpondent deſires us to inſert the following. It is neceſſary to explain ſome facts relative to the proceedings on Friday at Mr. Horne's trial at Kingſton. That Gentleman's counſel made not the leaſt attempt to clear their client of the charge brought againſt him of defaming Mr. Onſlow, but took advantage of the moſt contemptible quibble in the law (the inſerting a ſingle letter in the copy which was not in the original) to avoid entering into the merits of the cauſe, and merely to put Mr. Onſlow to three months longer delay and expenſe. The reaſon of the Duke of Grafton's being at Kingſton is this, and is fit to be known: Mr. Horne ſubpœnaed his Grace the night before, and within three minutes after his arrival Mr. Reynolds acquainted his Grace they had no occaſion for him, and he was never in court. The account of Mr. Onſlow's having engaged all the ſhort hand writers is too abſurd to be believed by any body. Quere, Was not Mr. Horne in hopes that the Duke of Grafton might refuſe to come, of which every body gueſſes the uſe he would have made?

They write from Tewkeſbury, in Gloucesterſhire, that ſeveral Gentlemen there have purchaſed an ox, which is to be diſtributed to the poor of that place on the day of Mr. Wilkes's releaſement, with a ſufficient quantity of bread and liquor. They have alſo ordered a ball in the evening for the Ladies, fireworks are to be exhibited, and the town illuminated.

Letters from Conſtantinople mention that the Jews have been aſſured of the protection of the Grand Seignior throughout his dominions, which had impreſſed them with ſo much gratitude that very large voluntary contributions were raiſing through all their tribes for the ſervice of his Sublime Highneſs.

Great preparations are alſo making at Devizes to celebrate the day of Mr. Wilkes's enlargement.

April 10. A certain diſtinguiſhed Nobleman will ſet out in a few days for a neighbouring Court, in order, if poſſible, to diſcover whether any hoſtilities are at this time intended towards England.

We hear a bill will ſpeedily be brought into Parliament making it felony to compel people either to light bonefires or to hang out lights; a regulation which, together with the penalty to be laid on breaking of windows, will, it is believed, ſecure the future tranquillity of this metropolis.

We are told that all conteſts, for the preſent ſeſſion, are at an end between the Majority and the Minority, and that before next winter ſuch a coalition will take place as, by an equal participation of honours and emoluments, will render the balance of patriotiſm pretty even, and leave it a diſputable point which are beſt friends to the community.

A few nights ago the Earl of Chatham having aſſerted in the upper club room of the Robinhood, that the arrears of the Civil Liſt were principally owing to the enormous ſums expended in bribery and corruption at the late general election, the late Premier roſe up and ſaid that ſuch a charge came with an ill grace from a man in whoſe adminiſtration the ſums laviſhed in bribery and corruption, at one general election, exceeded thoſe expended in the laſt by 170,000 l.

A petition has been preſented by Mr. Harriſon for the remainder of the reward allowed for the diſcovery of the longitude.

Yeſterday Earl Temple ſet out for his ſeat at Stowe, but will return to be preſent at the Lord Mayor's dinner and ball on Eaſter Monday next, at the Manſion Houſe.

A Lady at the weſt end of the town, who ſome time ago won 30 guineas at a rout on a Sunday evening, happened a ſhort time afterwards to hear a celebrated preacher near Hyde Park corner exclaim againſt gaming on a Sunday. In a fit of contrition ſhe immediately made a preſent of her winnings to a publick charity; but, ſo frail is human nature, the poor Lady has again fallen into the ſame errour, but has not the ſame means of redreſs, as ſhe loſt not only her money but ſome part of her jewels.

On Friday afternoon eight Noble Peers, all in the Minority, had a long conference with his Majeſty at St. James's.

The next day after Mr. Wilkes's enlargement, we are informed, a court of Aldermen will be ſummoned to ſwear him in Alderman of Farringdon ward Within.

After the above Gentleman has gone through all his buſineſs, we hear he intends to ſpend a few months at Bath.

The principal inhabitants of Whitney, in Oxfordſhire, lately made a preſent to John Wilkes, Eſq; of a fat buck and a large baſket of fiſh, and have ſubſcribed among themſelves to give a grand entertainment on the 18th inſtant, on which day that Gentleman's enlargement is expected.

Letters from Venice adviſe that on the 3d inſtant a plot was diſcovered, formed for ſetting fire to the magazine of wood. About eight at night were found in this magazine, ſituated near the palace of the Procurator of St. Mark, ſome combuſtible materials diſpoſed for that horrible purpoſe. The Council hath promiſed, by a publick arret, a reward of 1000 ducats to the perſon who ſhall diſcover the incendiary.

Letters from Naples, of the 10th of March, ſay: On Tueſday evening Don Juan Clavaria, Treaſurer General of the King's houſehold, being at his office in the great court of the palace, was aſſaſſinated and robbed by a ſoldier of the Italian guards, who was at the gate of the treaſury. The offender was immediately arreſted, and ſent to priſon. The proceſs againſt him will be inſtituted by the ordinary judges, and his Majeſty hath ordered that ſpeedy and rigid juſtice be executed on him.

Laſt week, as Mr. Harding's men were plowing in his grounds at Tottenham, the plough ſtruck rather lower than common in the earth, and turned up a large quantity of broad pieces of gold of James I. and Charles I. quite freſh, as if juſt coined. Some men dug afterwards with a pitchfork, and threw up at one ſtroke eighteen of the above pieces, alſo a horn with ſome ſilver at the bottom; the whole amounting to upwards of 70 l. value.

On Thurſday afternoon a ſevere battle was fought, near Chinkford in Eſſex, between the noted Gregory of Whitechapel, and Samuel Peters, a gunſmith, in the Minories; when, after a conteſt of an hour and twenty five minutes, victory declared in favour of Gregory, notwithſtanding he was ſo much bruiſed that it is thought he cannot ſurvive. There were very conſiderable bets depending.

This day the King was pleaſed to inveſt his Royal Highneſs Prince William Henry, his Majeſty's third ſon, with the enſigns of the moſt ancient and moſt noble order of the Thiſtle.

The report lately propagated that a freſh proſecution was intended to commence againſt a popular patriot is entirely void of foundation, the Premier himſelf having recently declared, on his word and honour, no ſuch thing was ever thought on; and it is aſſerted, on very credible authority, that ſuch reports are circulated merely to render Adminiſtration odious to the people.

April 11. It is ſaid that a great number of the principal inhabitants of Weſtminſter have ſigned a paper, ſignifying their diſapprobation of the remonſtrance of that city.

The preſent plan talked of for an accomodation between the Majority and Minority is ſaid to be the production of Lord Lyttleton.

A great perſonage, we are told, refuſes to ſee Earl Temple, being greatly diſguſted with him for publiſhing to the world, ſome time ſince, in print, a private converſation which had paſſed between them.

A report prevalled yeſterday morning that a certain Colonel will vacate his ſeat by the acceptance of a place, when a new writ will be iſſued for the county, in order to give a patriotick Gentleman an opportunity to be rechoſen.

Monday night the queſtion whether the duty on tea ſhould be taken off in America was debated in the lower room of the Robinhood ſociety, when there appeared, on a diviſion, againſt the repeal 124, for it 52; majority 72.

Certain claims upon the Government, with regard to ſome Scotch eſtates, forfeited in the laſt rebellion, and which have been depending near twenty five years, were taken into conſideration on Monday in a certain ſociety.

We hear that a ſum not exceeding 72,000 l. is propoſed to be divided among the above claimants.

We hear that the committee of Gentlemen appointed to conduct the preparations for the approaching entertainment to be given at the Manſion Houſe, and which is ſuppoſed will be the grandeſt ever given in this country, on a private account, are unlimited in their expenſe, under the amount of 2000 l.

The town of Bath was never known, at this ſeaſon of the year, ſo thin of company as it has been for theſe ſix weeks paſt, inſomuch that one half of the publick diverſions are laid aſide.

We hear that another amour has lately been diſcovered, between an officer of rank and the wife of a Gentleman of conſiderable eſtate in the weſt of England. It is worth obſervation that the Lady's huſband is about thirty, and her gallant is turned of ſixty.

We hear that Captain Carver, famous for his late travels in the interiour parts of North America, has received orders from the government to deliver up all his plans, journals, and diſcoveries, to the Lords Commiſſioners of Trade and Plantations, which he has complied with. By this prudent meaſure, it ſeems, that the Spaniards, who are making themſelves formidable at the mouth of the Miſſiſſipi, will be prevented from obtaining that knowledge of the heads of that vaſt river, and the continent thereabouts, which otherwiſe they would have done, had thoſe journals been made publick.

Tomorrow will be lanched, at his Majeſty's yard at Deptford, a new man of war of 74 guns, and is to be called the Reſolution.

We hear from Portſmouth that a workman in one of the dockyards has diſcovered a method of ſheathing ſhip bottoms with a kind of leather, prepared in ſuch a manner that the longer it lies in the water the harder it grows, and is impenetrable to worms in the Weſt Indies, by means of a chymical preparation.

A Thames ſalmon, weighing forty pounds, was ſold laſt week to a fiſhmonger for the amazing price of nine pounds ſterling.

On Friday night laſt, as Peter Dutens, Eſq; of Leiceſter ſquare, was returning from a ball in the Borough, he was ſtopped in St. George's Fields by three fellows in ſailors habits, who robbed him of his watch, money, and two valuable rings; and afterwards one of the villains had the meanneſs to take Mr. Dutens's ſtone buckles out of his ſhoes, and even had the audacioufneſs to chalk No. 45 on each of his feet, which he ſaid would be a ſufficient paſſport in caſe he fell in with any more of the True Brotherhood, as he was pleaſed to ſtile them. By the deſcription, theſe fellows are ſuppoſed to belong to the famous gang of freſh water pirates.

Monday night the houſe of Charles Kent, Eſq; in Old Bond ſtreet, was broke open, and robbed of plate, money, wearing apparel, &c. to the amount of 1000 l.

Saturday night Lady Manſell's houſe, in St. James's place, was broke open and robbed of plate, &c. to the amount of 100 l.

It is ſaid that ſome Jews, who are worth at leaſt ten thouſand pounds each, have been concerned in receiving and melting down ſtolen plate.

It is ſaid the ſeizures of lace, that have been made by Mr. Tankred, and another officer, in and about London, amount to upwards of 40,000 l. and it is ſaid, if they are all condemned, that the officers will ſhare 10,000 l. each.

On Monday the Middleſex petition, remonſtrance, and addreſs, was preſented to his Majeſty at St. James's by Meſſ. Sawbridge and Townſhend, Sheriffs for the county, which was received and given to a Lord in waiting, but no anſwer returned.

The ſame day the petition from the county of Kent was preſented to his Majeſty by John Calcraft, Eſq; member for Rocheſter, and ſome other Gentlemen.

The petition of the county of Kent is ſigned by upwards of 2700 freeholders.

A letter from Reading, in Berks, mentions that a meeting was lately held in that town, to conſider of a petition to the King for redreſs of grievances; at which, out of near 900 electors no more than 16 were preſent, who petitioned the Mayor for a Common Hall, which he declined granting, on account of the inconſiderableneſs of their number, and their not being joined in their requeſt by any of the opulent independent electors.

April 12. The ſum of 55,011 l. is granted to make good the deficiencies of the grants for the year 1769.

We hear that the Middleſex remonſtrance was delivered and recived in ſtate, and not through the hands of a third perſon, as is generally reported and believed.

Tueſday a court of aſſiſtants of the Fiſhmongers company was held at their hall in Thames ſtreet, when a motion was made for their entering into reſolutions ſimilar to thoſe of the Goldſmiths, Weavers, and Grocers companies, but the motion was rejected.

Tueſday the ſum of 9681. 11 s. was paid into the hands of the Supporters of the Bill of Rights, for the uſe of John Wilkes, Eſq;

We are informed that precepts will be iſſued, by the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, to all the peace officers of the city of London, to be on duty, in all parts of the city, on the day and night of Mr. Wilkes's enlargement, to prevent riots, or any miſchief being done to the inhabitants by the mob.

A letter from Denbighſhire, received on Tueſday, contains the following account: "The people of this county have refuſed to pay the land tax, in conſequence of which great diſturbances enſued, and the military quartered in this neighbourhood have been called upon to aſſiſt in preſerving the peace and reducing the malcontents to order; which we hope they will be able to effect, but are apprehenſive a reenforcement will be neceſſary."

It is ſaid three regiments are ſent to quell the above riot, which is ſuppoſed to have taken riſe from the enclоſure of ſome common lands, and other meaſures which have been deemed oppreſſive.

At Wynſtay, the ſeat of Sir Watkin William Wynne, Bart. who comes of age the 19th inſtant, an ampitheatre is built that will contain at leaſt 4000 people; 160 hogſheads of ſtrong beer, part of it brewed the day he was born, will be given to the populace, and open houſe will be kept for all comers, without diſtinction.

Letters from Liſbon, of the 12th ult. adviſe that a paper was preſented to his Majeſty, on his way to Salvaterra, by a mean perſon, who offered to make a diſcovery of ſeveral perſons diſaffected to his Majeſty, whom the perſon had overheard talk diſreſpectfully of the Royal family.

We can aſſure the publick that Mr. John Scott, well known by the name of the patriotick newſman, has provided a buttock of beef, weighing exactly 45 pounds, to be boiled on the 18th day of this month (being the day of John Wilkes, Eſq's enlargement, and Mr. Scott's birthday, being 45 years of age) together with 45 carrots, 45 loaves, 45 pots of beer, and 45 drams; to which he invites his friends (ſons of liberty, foes to tyranny) to pledge the following toaſts, the King, Queen, forty one proteſting Lords, and the Gentlemen of the Minority in the Lower Houſe, with many other loyal and conſtitutional toaſts. The dinner to be ſerved up under the banner of a flag richly ornamented, with this motto:

"May the bloſſoms of liberty never be blighted,
"Nor the lovers of freedom ever be ſlighted."

N. B. The bullock was killed by Mr. Swan, butcher, of Newport market; and, what is very remarkable, had 45 ſtone of fat. The room will be illuminated with 45 lights.

A candle of curious conſtruction has lately been made at Newcaſtle. It conſiſts of 45 branches, iſſuing in four circular diviſions from the main ſtem, and forming four circles at the top, where they all terminate horizontally with each other, and will caſt 45 lights. It weighs 22 lb. and from the bottom to the top of the main ſtem is about three feet. It is intended to be lighted up at the Cappadocian entertainment, held in that town on the day of Mr. Wilkes's enlargement.

It is imagined, by perſons leaned in the law, that the cauſe depending in the court of King's Bench between Lord Groſvenor and his R. H. the Duke of Cumberland, will be determined before the cauſe depending in Doctors Commons, between him and his Lady, in order that the verdict given in the former court, if in favour of his Lordſhip, may be pleaded in part of proof in the latter.

We have authority to aſſure the publick that Mr. Onſlow's attorney has ſerved Mr. Horne with a new writ, on a freſh trial to come on at the enſuing ſummer aſſizes at Guildford, and that every legal method will be taken to bring Mr. Horne to juſtice.

We have received advice that twelve Turkiſh men of war are cruiſing off the Morea, and that 16,000 Turks from Albania are on full march towards Montenegro, in order to oblige the inhabitants of that country to ſubmit to the dominion of the Grand Seignior.

A letter from Dantzick, dated March 20th, ſays: "The new Ruſſian fleet, which is fitting out at Cronſtadt, will ſail with the firſt fair wind for the Mediteranean. Some of the ſhips are commanded by Daniſh officers, who have entered into the Ruſſian ſervice, by deſire of the Empreſs.

Tueſday upwards of thirty artificers, in the watch-making branch, engaged themſelves at an agent's office, near Cornhill, to go to North America.

WILLIAMSBURG, *June* 14.

IN 1714, in the large tract of country which Prince George county at that time comprehended, the levy was laid upon only 1040 tithables; and this preſent year, we are well informed, they amount to 26,412, which ſhows the vaſt increaſe, in 56 years, of 25,372 tithables. The county of Amelia contains 4903 tithables, Bedford 1772, Brunſwick 3793, Charlotte 1655, Dinwiddie 2986, Halifax 1827, Lunenburg 1585, Mecklenburg 2285, Prince Edward 1620, Pittſylvania 1677; all which counties have been taken from Prince George, and the number of tithables in it amounts to 2449.

The Totneſs, Hudſon, from Liverpool, is arrived in York river.

We have ſeen Mr. Wilkes's two addreſſes upon his enlargement, the 18th of April; one to the Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders, of the county of Middleſex, the other to the inhabitants of the ward of Farringdon Without. They came to hand too late for this week's paper, and indeed contain nothing new, his topicks being the ſame with what he has formerly laid before the publick.

NAPLES, *March* 20.

OUR conjectures of an eruption of Mount Veſuvius being at hand have proved true, for on Wedneſday laſt the mountain burſt within 100 yards of the crater, on the ſide of Pompeii, from whence iſſued a lava of about two miles in length, and 2700 paces in breadth; at the ſame time that vollies of ſtones, ſome not leſs than a tun weight, were thrown out of the crater to a very conſiderable height, 1000 feet or more, as we could judge by the time they took in falling. The lava has not yet reached the cultivated parts of the mountain.

LONDON, *April* 14.

BY the Dutch mail, which arrived late yeſterday afternoon, we are aſſured that General Stoffeln defeated a body of 15,000 Turks, who were intrenched near Shurſka, in Wallachia. The Ottomans had 3000 men killed, and 400 made priſoners. Shurſka was immediately after ſurrendered to the Ruſſians, who held a grand gala, and made great rejoicings on that occaſion.

Admiral Elphinſtone ſailed yeſterday from Spithead, with four ſhips of the line, two frigates, and three tranſports.

The petition againſt a certain American Governour, we hear, has been cenſured by a great aſſembly, as groundleſs, vexatious, and ſcandalous.

April 16. Letters from Gibraltar mention that they were in daily expectation of receiving accounts of an action between the Ruſſian and Turkiſh fleets, which in all probability would decide the fate of the latter, their whole naval powers being collected on the occaſion.

They write from Hamburg that ſeveral large ſhips are now fitting out in the Elbe, to ſail for the Mediterranean, and act as privateers under the Empreſs of Ruſſia's commiſſion againſt the Turks.

Some very intereſting advices have laſt week been received from the Court of Berlin, relative to the part his Pruſſian Majeſty intends to take in the preſent war between the Ruſſians and Turks; which have already been the ſubject of ſome Councils held at the Cockpit, and St. James's.

If credit may be given to ſome late advices from a northern Court, ſhe will ſoon formally declare war againſt the Grand Seignior.

It was on Friday ſaid that a great perſonage was reconciled to Earl Temple, through the interceſſion of the Marquis of Rockingham.

Letters from Paris, dated April 6th, adviſe that the Princes and Peers were invited to ſit in Parliament on the Tueſday following, to deliberate under his Majeſty's orders, and in his preſence, on the affair of the Duke d'Aguillon, who is accuſed of many atrocious crimes in his government.

Some people, who pretend to better intelligence than what is communicated in the publick prints, give out that the proſecution againſt the Duke d'Aguillon has other views than the vindication of M. Chalatois, and that it will lead to ſuch diſcoveries as will aſtoniſh all France.

By a private letter from Marſeilles we have an account that the Alarm frigate, Captain Jarvis, who ſailed from Cadiz on the 18th of laſt month, was driven on the rocks in that road, and much damaged. It was awful to ſee this fine veſſel, with a number of brave men, ſtriking upon the rocks within piſtol ſhot of the ſhore, without any perſon daring to venture out to their relief. However, by cutting away her maſts, and other providential means, ſhe at length made land upon a ſoft ſhore, where all her men were ſaved. She had a large ſum of money on board.

It is reported that a certain foreign Ambaſſadour has complained, in pretty ſevere terms, of the dark inſinuations lately thrown out by a Noble Earl, reſpecting a blow affirmed to have been ſtruck againſt this nation, which he thinks highly reflects upon the honour of his maſter.

We hear that Mr. Wilkes has ſent circular letters to all his friends, requeſting them to exert their utmoſt influence to preſerve good order among the people on the day of his releaſement.

We hear that the ſeveral clubs which have elected Mr. Wilkes one of their members have all made contributions for the total diſcharge of that Gentleman's debts.

April 17. Late laſt night advices were received that Gibraltar is taken by the French and Spaniards; and it is abſolutely certain that at 12 o'clock, the ſame night, Count de Chatelet (the French Ambaſſadour) ſet out ſuddenly for Paris.

Extract of a letter from Nice, *March* 23.

"The crew of a veſſel arrived from Corſica relate that the national regiments formed in that iſle deſerted all on their march to their reſpective garriſons, and carried with them their arms. It is no longer doubted but the republick of Venice intend opening the campaign as ſoon as poſſible with 16 ſhips of war, which have juſt been fitted out in that port, beſides ſeveral other large veſſels and marine forces, which are already at Corfu, under the command of their Captain General."

Meſſ. PURDIE *&* DIXON,

GENTLEMEN,

I HAVE lately made a tour through ſeveral of the neighbouring provinces, and find the ſenſible people in them greatly diſpleaſed with the Virginians, for not adhering more ſtrictly to the articles of aſſociation for non importation. They juſtly obſerved that very few Virginians are concerned in trade, to any great extent; that all the profits of trade in this colony centered in Great Britain, being generally carried on by factors, employed by the merchants there; and that by conſidering the increaſe and wealth of Glaſgow, within theſe few years paſt, we readily ſee what wealth is loſt to the colony by the inhabitants not having greater intereſt in the commerce of the country, inferring from thence that the not importing ſuperfluous commodities would be more generally uſeful than in any of the other provinces. But, be this as it will, they inſiſted that we ought to contribute, at leaſt equally, to the eſtabliſhment of American liberty; and if ſome prudent ſteps are not taken to regulate importation, in a ſhort time Virginia will be remarkable, only, for *reſolving*.

HEARTS *of* OAK.

Come cheer up, my lads, and your liberty ſhield,
Let no wrong headed ſtateſmen induce you to yield;
Oppreſſion oppoſe, ſervile meaſures deteſt!
Maintain with your lives what your fathers poſſeſs'd.
Then rouſe up, my lads, and your freedom defend;
By firmneſs and bravery oppoſe Britiſh ſlavery,
Your lives and your fortunes on freedom depend.
Should Grafton or Hillſboro', with threatening alarms,
Perſiſt to enſlave us by acts or by arms,
America's ſons, in ſupport of their right,
All fair means will try, but if urg'd they can fight.
Then rouſe up, my lads, &c. &c.
See! America ſmiles, from her ſtately abode,
Admiring her ſons ſhe applauds with a nod;
"My children, ſhe cries, may your bleſſings increaſe!
"On freedom depend all the bleſſings of peace."
Proceed then, my ſons, and your freedom defend;
With firmneſs and bravery oppoſe Britiſh ſlavery,
Your deareſt connexions on freedom depend.

The above mite is cheerfully contributed by a well-wiſher of his country, who call for every perſon poſſeſſed of publick virtue to act with ſpirit, prudence, and moderation, at this alarming criſis.

Advertiſements.

The beautiful high bred horſe
MARK ANTHONY,

near 15 hands high, and remarkable for his ſwiftneſs, ſtands at the *Indian Fields*, in *Charles City* county, in order to cover mares at 20 s. the leap; the money to be paid at the ſtable door. Mark Anthony's ſire was Partner, and his dam Septima. Septima's ſire was Othello, and her dam Moll Brazen. Moll Brazen's ſire was Spark, who belonged to Governour *Ogle*, and was given to him by Lord *Baltimore*, who received him as a preſent from *Frederick* Prince of *Wales*. Spark's dam was Miſs Colvill.

RUN from the ſubſcriber in *Wincheſter*, *Virginia*, an *Iriſh* ſervant man, by trade a cooper, of the middle ſize, dark complexion, black hair and eyes, halts, occaſioned by a hurt in his heel or ankle, has loſt an upper fore tooth on the left ſide, calls himſelf JOHN HOLMS (alias *Commodore*) writes indifferently. He ſerved as a ſoldier under General *Braddock*, as he ſays, and in other companies, and pretends to have been a priſoner amongſt the *Indians*, was taken on ſhipboard laſt ſummer at the *Cove* of *Cork*, and landed at *Alexandria*, is fond of ſpirituous liquors, and a remarkable reprobate when drunk. Had on and took with him his common wearing apparel, together with ſhirts and trouſers of country made linen, and a veſt of ſnuff coloured country cloth without ſleeves, and ſome coopers tools. I imagine he will make for a ſeaport, or ſome of the frontier garriſons. Any perſon that ſecures him in any jail, ſo that I get him again, ſhall have a reward of THREE POUNDS, or if brought home to me FIVE POUNDS, and reaſonable charges. And as he has been treated with great humanity, I hope every perſon will make it a point to ſecure ſo ungrateful a villain, ſhould he fall in their way.

ROBERT RUTHERFORD.